

MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF IRVINGTON, NEW YORK HELD ON MONDAY OCTOBER 7, 1996 8:00 P.M. VILLAGE HALL, 85 MAIN STREET, IRVINGTON, NEW YORK.

Present: Dennis P. Flood, Mayor
Garrard R. Beeney, Trustee
Sheila M. Attai, Trustee
James McNiff, Trustee
Robert H. Pouch, Trustee
Stephen McCabe, Administrator
Lawrence S. Schopfer, Clerk-Treasurer
Richard Denike, Police Chief
Kevin J. Plunkett, Village Attorney
Robert Bauer, Supt. of Public Works
Eugene Hughey, Building Inspector

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Flood who led the attendance in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Flood and the Board of Trustees presented Irvington Olympian Andrea Thies with a plaque and other gifts of gratitude for her extraordinary effort in rowing at the 1996 Atlanta Olympic Games. Ms. Thies spoke to those in attendance and presented a short Olympic training video.

Mayor Flood opened the floor to public comment on matters not contained on the agenda. There were no comments from those in attendance.

Trustee Pouch made a motion to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of the Village Board held on September 16, 1996. Trustee McNiff seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved with Trustee Attai abstaining from the vote.

Trustee Beeney made a motion to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of the Village Board held on September 26, 1996. Trustee Attai seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved with Trustees McNiff and Pouch abstaining from the vote.

Trustee Beeney made a motion to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of the Village Board held on September 28, 1996. Trustee Attai seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved with Trustee Pouch abstaining from the vote.

Mayor Flood opened the public hearing with respect to a proposed local law regarding the revocation of special permits for unpaid property taxes. Mayor Flood provided background on the local law. After discussion ensued and comments were made by the Board members, Mayor Flood requested a motion to close the public hearing. Trustee Pouch made such a motion, which was seconded by Trustee Beeney and unanimously approved. Trustee Pouch made a motion to adopt the local law as presented. Trustee Beeney seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mayor Flood read a proclamation declaring the week of October 28, 1996 through November 1, 1996 as School Board Recognition Week. A copy of this proclamation is attached hereto as a part of these minutes.

Mayor Flood requested a motion from the Board in support of New York State's "Clean Water, Clean Air" Bond Act. Trustee Pouch made such a motion. Trustee McNiff seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

After considerable work from the Fire Department's Truck Committee, John Peters and Chris DePaoli presented the Board with a recommendation to award the contract for the purchase of a 105' aerial ladder truck to the low bidder New England Fire Equipment and Apparatus Corp. of Stratford, Connecticut (supplying a Smeal apparatus) for the base contract price of \$469,973. Trustee McNiff made a motion to award the contract as recommended. The motion was seconded by Trustee Attai and unanimously approved.

Mayor Flood appointed George Rowe as a regular member of the Zoning Board of Appeals with a term to expire in April 2001.

Clerk-Treasurer presented the Board of Trustees with a copy of the recently completed State Report of Examination performed by the New York State Office of the State Comptroller. The Board indicated that it intended to respond to the comments within the prescribed time period of 90 days.

Trustee Attai described the activities of the water department and building department. Both departments have been busy.

Trustee McNiff thanked the truck committee and Clerk-Treasurer for their work on acquisition of a replacement aerial ladder truck. He also discussed the annual department inspection dinner. Trustee McNiff announced various Recreation department activities and thanked Supt. Joe Archino for his work on the presentation to Ms. Thies.

Trustee Pouch discussed the September police report as well as other police department activities, including the ongoing investigation of the car fire that occurred in July 1996. He also commended the department on their mutual aid response to the shooting at the Venice Deli in Dobbs Ferry.

Trustee Beeney reported on the paving and sidewalk replacement in the Village. He indicated that the Library expansion project is proceeding along smoothly with new applications for funding being recently submitted. Regarding the waterfront, he indicated that the Village was expecting to hold meeting soon to discuss with the public some options available.

Administrator Steve McCabe, upon the recommendation of Bob Bauer, Supt. of Public Works, requested a resolution awarding the contract for the purchase of a new utility body pickup truck to Robert Green Chevrolet in the amount of \$25,286. Trustee Beeney made such a motion, it was seconded by Trustee McNiff and unanimously approved.

Clerk-Treasurer Lawrence Schopfer requested approval of a certiorari settlement for the property owned by Bertram Trent. The reduction in assessed valuation is \$20,900 and the total resultant refund is \$9,514.93. Trustee Attai made a motion to approved the settlement as presented. Trustee McNiff seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Clerk-Treasurer Lawrence Schopfer requested approval of a certiorari settlement for the property owned by Ruth Gellman dba Hamilton Gardens. The reduction in assessed valuation is \$11,240 and the total resultant refund is \$13,598.57. Trustee Attai made a motion to approved the settlement as presented. Trustee McNiff seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Clerk-Treasurer Lawrence Schopfer requested approval of a certiorari settlement for the property known as Fieldpoint at Irvington II (44 of 95 condominium units). The reduction in assessed valuation is \$124,800 and the total resultant refund is \$71,559.31. Trustee Attai made a motion to approved the settlement as presented. Trustee McNiff seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mr. Schopfer requested a motion to amend the 1996-97 budget by transferring an amount of \$95,000 from "Contingency" to "Certiorari Refunds". Trustee Attai made such a motion. Trustee McNiff seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mr. Schopfer requested the approval of a filming permit to Crash Filming for filming operations on September 24 and 25, 1996 at the "Octagon House" on West Clinton Avenue. Trustee Pouch made a motion to approve the permit. Trustee Attai seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mr. Schopfer requested the approval of a peddling permit to Robert Carrocetto owner and operator of a coffee truck which frequents the Irvington railroad station. Trustee Beeney made a motion to approve the permit. Trustee McNiff seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Ms. Susan Early spoke about a variety of topics of concern. After brief discussion of Ms. Early's concerns, Trustee McNiff made a motion to adjourn to executive session regarding litigation and a land acquisition matter. Trustee Pouch seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Upon reconvening from executive session, there being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned.

Attachments